

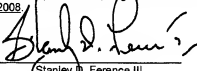
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Chaudhari et al.  
Serial No.: 10/042,827 Examiner: Qi Han  
Filed: January 4, 2002 Art Unit: 2626  
For: EFFICIENT RECURSIVE CLUSTERING BASED ON A  
SPLITTING FUNCTION DERIVED FROM  
SUCCESSIVE EIGEN-DECOMPOSITIONS

September 8, 2008

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being filed with the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, by EFS Web on September 8, 2008.

  
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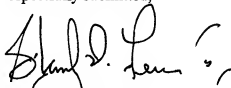
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Sir:

Applicants' representative spoke with the Examiner on July 16 and July 21, 2008, and authorized the amendments made by Examiner's amendment in the Notice of Allowance. Applicants are not conceding in this application the claims amended by the Examiner's amendment are not patentable over the art cited by the Examiner, as such claim amendments are only for facilitating expeditious prosecution. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue these and other claims in one or more

continuations and/or divisional patent applications. Applicants specifically state no Examiner's amendment to any claim should be construed as a disclaimer of any interest in or right to an equivalent of any element or feature of the amended claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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